

# **CONTINUING (1.53(b)) UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for continuing applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.  
1217.1004D

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Title: PHOTOGRAPH PRINTING DEVICE, ELECTRONIC  
IMAGE INPUT DEVICE, FILM SCANNER, SCRATCH  
RECOGNITION METHOD, MEMORY MEDIUM  
RECORDING SCRATCH RECOGNITION PROGRAM,  
AND IMAGE RESTORATION METHOD

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## **APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600  
concerning utility  
patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
2. ☒ Specification, Claims & Abstract ..... [Total Pages: 126]
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) ..... [ Total Sheets: 34 ] [FIGS. 1-34 ]
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration ..... [ Total Pages: 1 ]
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
5. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application.
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  - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
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The entire disclosure of the prior application (identified in Item 20), from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
8. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 C.F.R. 1.76
9. ☐ CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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## **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

12. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
13. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
14. ☒ Foreign priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed.
  - a. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) filed in prior application No. 09/236,484.
  - b. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) enclosed.
  - c. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) to follow.
15. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
16. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
  - a. ☒ enclosed herewith.
  - b. ☒ incorporated herein (see Box 20).
17. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
18. ☐ Request and Certification for Nonpublication under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent
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**20. CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 09/236,484.

Prior application information: Examiner: P. Kim  
Group/Art Unit: 2851

**Preliminary Amendment:**

- ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-18 and 29-32 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:--This application is a divisional application of application number 09/236,484, filed January 25, 1999, now allowed.-

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**LETTER TO THE EXAMINER REQUESTING APPROVAL OF**  
**DRAWING CHANGES**  
**AND**  
**SUBMISSION OF CORRECTED DRAWINGS**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner having jurisdiction over the subject application approve the amendments to the drawings as indicated in RED on the attached copy of Figures 11 (a), 11(b), 12(a), 33 and 34.

These changes were submitted in the parent application and approved by the Examiner of the parent application in the Notice of Allowability mailed November 2, 2001.

Corrected drawings incorporating the proposed changes are also attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
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